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An undetermined number of troop trains and motorized columns, coming from Hillersleben and proceeding northward, passed through Haldensleben between 6-9 March. The barracks installations in Hillersleben were only twenty percent occupied after the troops had departed. Employees at the barracks stated that an exercise was scheduled to take place in the Stendal-Gardelegen area and that the units were expected to return on 13 March.

Comment. Units of the 19th Guards Mechanized Division were involved in this movement. This information confirms the assumption that exercises of the 79th Rifle Corps are under way in the Letsling Heath area.

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